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First Named Inventor	Simon F. Williams
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Application Number	09 / 661,773
Filing Date	September 14, 2000
Group Art Unit	
Examiner Name	

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE COMPOSITIONS FOR SOFT TISSUE REPAIR, AUGMENTATION, AND VISCOSUPPLEMENTATION

the specification of which

(Title of the Invention)

is attached hereto
OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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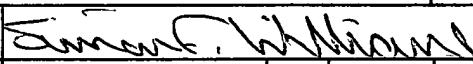
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Simon F.		Williams			

Inventor's Signature						Date	9/22/00
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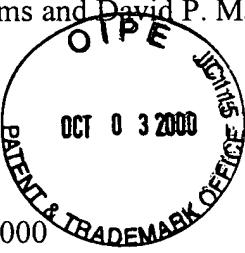
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), AND REQUEST FOR REFUND**

Sir:

Applicants enclose the following for filing in the above-identified application:

1. Declaration of Inventorship executed by Simon F. Williams and David P. Martin;
2. Statement Claiming Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9(f) and 1.27(c) --- Small Business Concern) executed by Tepha, Inc.;
3. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) executed by Tepha, Inc., with attached copy of the executed Assignment from Simon F. Williams and David P. Martin to Tepha, Inc.; and
4. Check in the amount of \$65.00 for the small entity surcharge for late filing of the Declaration of Inventorship.

Applicants respectfully request a 50% refund of the \$1,062.00 filing fee in the application, a total of \$531.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28.

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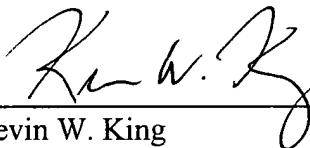
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Please charge any other fees due, or credit any overpayment, in connection with this matter to Deposit Account No. 01-2507. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed to facilitate this process.

Respectfully submitted,



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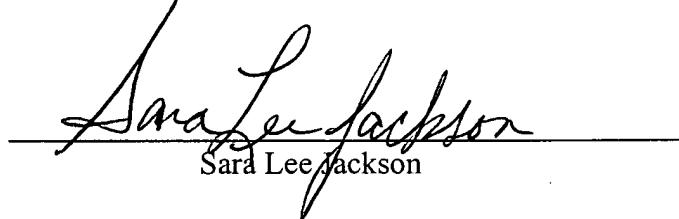
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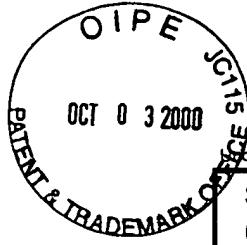
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Sara Lee Jackson

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**STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(c))--SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**Docket Number (Optional)
TEPH 102Applicant, Patentee, or Identifier: Simon F. Williams and David P. MartinApplication or Patent No.: 09/661,773Filed or Issued: September 14, 2000Title: POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE COMPOSITIONS FOR SOFT TISSUE REPAIR,
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I hereby state that I am

the owner of the small business concern identified below:
 an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN Tepha, Inc.ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN 303 Third Street, 2nd Floor
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142-1196

I hereby state that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR Part 121 for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Questions related to size standards for a small business concern may be directed to: Small Business Administration, Size Standards Staff, 409 Third Street, SW, Washington, DC 20416.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:

the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.
 the application identified above.
 the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern, or organization having rights in the invention must file separate statements as to their status as small entities, and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d), or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

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Separate statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention stating their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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